CURRENT COMMENT.

EDWIN BOOTH's illness cost him over twenty-five hundred dollars per night.

barbarous duel for the refined and racy libel suit.

JAY GOULD is assessed for one hundred thousand dollars and no more, in New York.

than an honest politician.

THE manuscript of Benedict Arnold's in an old loft in New York.

It is said that the gate receipts of the Francisco reached \$12,000.

is to prevent a disloyal relapse.

Dr. Morin, a French physician, in a new work on the hygienics of beauty, makes a dead set against earrings.

HENRY GEORGE declares that his expenses in the recent New York election smounted to only three dollars and forty-five cents.

JOHN R. McLean has invested more less than two years.

It is said that fully one-third of the returns of the English telegraph service are due to the sporting messages and news sent over the wires.

SAM ALLERTON, one of the biggest cattle dealers in Chicago, says there is pects. more profit in selling beef in home markets than in shipping it to Europe.

SECRETARY L. Q. C. LAMAR is now an LL. D. The proper way to address him in the future will be "Your Alphabetical Excellency," says a facetious newspaper.

practical farmer, and is looked upon vailed on the plains and mountains. by the peasants around Sant' Agata as supreme authority on all matters relating to crops, fruit and cattle.

THERE are now thirteen women living who are Chevaliers of the Legion of Honor, all of whom except Rosa Bonheur, the painter, and Mme. Dieulatoy, the antiquarian, received the decoration for actual service on the field of battle.

If a Western widow takes up a homestead and is then foolish enough name. The administration seems to be making quite an effort to encourage the fair sex.

THE car-coupler reform does not progress very rapidly. In spite of all the talk and tests which have been indulged in for years, and the generally admitadoption of any uniform automatic asked for the construction of vessels. freight car-coupler is still remote.

MME. PATTI received the handsome sum of seventeen thousand cert on the 26th of October. This is night of October 25. the highest sum, according to the Paris | A LARGE derrick in the stone yard of the Figaro, that has ever been received for singing at a single concert in London.

cently recovered five thousand dollars | S., on payment of \$400 under protest. from a railroad company for the loss of her nose. This moves a sagacious contemporary to observe that a Boston tagious pleuro-pneumonia existing in that girl without a nose would be as pitia- city, and declared by resolution that inble an object as a Chicago girl with no noculation was extremely dangerous and

BUSHYHEAD, principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation, in his annual message handles the white man question with vigor and earnestness, and recommends a closer union and more hearty co-operation of the Indian tribes as an effectual defense against the encroachments of the pale faces.

M. PASTEUR finds the two thousand square metres of ground granted him by the city of Paris for free use for Carlisle and Senator Beck were among the ninety-nine years, insufficiently large for his hydrophobia hospital. He has asked the municipal authorities to lease him the adjoining lot, offering to ities tried to force into military service. pay the rent out of his own pocket.

Among the good effects which the appointment of the British Commission to inquire into the trade depression has brought about is the increased demand of the Fields' barges, the Emerald, also for silver in India. That country evi- foundered and five lives were lost. dently believes, with most other countries, that the findings of the commission will weaken England's hostile attitude to silver coinage.

of Djeddah lies the tomb of Eve. Mahomet pronounced it to be her grave and thus settled all doubts on the question. The formation of the tomb using oleomargarine shall put up large shows that Eve was a gigantic woman. over thirty feet in height. What a tongue that woman must have had!

Even in the United States the scheme for the "naturalization of the land" is not original with Henry George. 'Frederick W. Evans and George Henry Evans, his brother, edited a paper Dak. called the Workingman's Advocate in New York in 1820, which favored a

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned by Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL. It was reported in New York labor circles recently that Henry George is going to Ireland in a short time to speak in be-

half of Home Rule. THE President on the 17th reinstated as United States attorney for the Western district of Missouri Colonel M. E. Benton, VIRGINIA is preparing to abandon the | who was recently suspended for active participation in politics.

THE Grand Cordon of the Imperial Order of Medjidie was recently conferred on Mr. Cox, United States Minister to Turkey. It was recently reported on semi-official authority that General Kaulbars was about to be recalled from Bulgaria and that the step would be accepted as an indication PRED ARCHER'S career showed that the powers have arranged to replace an honest jockey can make more money | the attempt to solve the Bulgarian difficulty by action on the spot by an international adjustment.

Ex-PRESIDENT ARTHUR died on the morning of the 18th in New York City, of cerevindication of himself has been found bral apoplexy. He had been afflicted by an affection of the kidneys for some time and ever since he left the Executive Mansion has done little else than try to regain Sullivan-Ryan slugging match in San his health. His death, however, was

HON. THOMAS H. DUDLEY, ex-Consul to Liverpool, has brought suit against THE Ameer of Afghanistan reforms United States Senator William J. Sewell a rebel by cutting off his head. This for \$25,000 damages for remarks made by the latter in a speech at a Republican meet

ing at Camden October 7. It was recently stated that there is movement among Illinois Democrats to put General Black, Commissioner of Pensions, con the National ticket of 1858 for

Vice President. THE Roumanian municipal elections resulted in a triumph for the National Liberals, who carried seventy-two urban districts, including Bucharest, Crajova, Braila and Jassy, polling 20,445 votes, against 4.800 for the opposition.

A DISPATCH from Montreal said that than three hundred thousand dollars in | Cardinal Teschereau will leave early in Washington real estate in a period of December with Cardinal Gibbons to receive the red hat at the hands of the Pontiff himself in the consistory to be held next month. When in Rome the question of the church and the Knights of Labor will be definitely arranged. At present a difference of opinion exists among the

Bishops on the subject. ITALY has lately proposed to Germany that the powers hold a conference to con sider the Bulgarian question in all its as-

MISCELLANEOUS. UNITED STATES MARSHAL COUSINS, of St. Louis, was lately notified by the authorities at Washington to look out for the filibusters, who are expected to solicit aid in organizing the Mexican expedition. Young men who were blacklisted during the Southwest strike will be offered induce-

ments to join the expedition.

VERDI, the illustrious composer, is a | that a severe snow storm and blizzard pre-THE village of Frimstein, in the canton stroyed by fire. A number of the inhabitants perished in the flames.

A FIRE at Durham, N. C., in the grocery store of R R. Atwater, burned a large ing was badly wrecked. part of the business portion of the town. Loss, \$500,000; insurance. \$150,000.

THE boss murderer recently made himbe a handsome young fellow named Richard K. O'Brien. He supplanted Charles | The steamer Beaconsfield, with a cargo to marry, she can, it has been decided, liams' father, mother and two children, ranean ports. The Beaconsfield was struck still retain the patent in her own and finally stabbed the guilty woman her near the coal breakers and water poured rested, when he cooly denied the crime.

> eties with a membership of 330,000 met in ficiary Societies. Tug estimates for the establishment of

THE Adams Express Company has sent | slaughtering March 15 next. a confidential circular to the mer chants and bankers throughout the coun-

five hundred francs to sing at a con- St. Louis & San Francisco railroad on the son given was that a majority of the league

Randolph Bridge Company recently fell, killing John Cowell and injuring another. THE American schooner Flying Scud, seized for violation of the fishery regula-Miss Alice White, of Boston, re- tions, was lately released at Halifax, N.

> The Veterinarian convention at Chicago on the 17th listened to a report by a committee appointed to investigate the conobjectionable.

> THE American Humane Association, composed of delegates from the various State humane societies, met at the Grand Hotel, Cincinnati, in annual convention on the 17th, about fifty delegates being

It was lately reported that a scheme had by a sample package of buckwheat containing strychnine, which was left at his house in Chicago.

THE fourth annual banquet of the Iroquois Club occurred at the Palmer House, Chicago, on the night of the 17th. Speaker

ONE hundred Cossacks were recently lost while endeavoring to quell the revolt of a and McGurie through the lung. tribe in the Caucasus, which the author-Anxiety is felt in Russia lest the movement spread among other tribes.

THE barge Dixon, Captain Robinson, of the propeller Justice Fields' tow, foundered off Kewanee on the morning of the 17th

THE Washington Medical Association recently appointed a committee to wait upon torious bandit Jiminez and killed him. the Secretary of the Interior to inquire Five policemen were wounded. what foundation there was in the charge | JOHN S. PHELPS, ex-Governor of Missouri, that some of the doctors in the district | died at the Sisters' Hospital, St. Louis, on A LETTER from Aden to the Balti- tion of sickness for department clerks. weeks. timore Sun says that on the outskirts The department officials charged that the local physicians did not report cases of

> THE Legislature of Vermont passed a was won by Yale by a score of 20 to 4. signs notifying the public of the fact.

A RECENT letter from Havana stated that a party of bandits under Romero had demanded of Senor Pedrazo \$10,000. As a scheme was set on foot to murder him. he refused to give them what they asked houses and every thing of value on the fered for five years from brain trouble.

Ox the 15th many skating parties glided over solid ice in the streams near Fargo,

A TERRIBLE disaster happened on the in the shurches by order of the board of 18th on the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati & St. health. plan for "abolishing poverty" similar, Louis railroad. A buge mass of rock and A chicago German paper lately asserted in some respects, to that now deand crushing a passenger train. The scene newed their rgitation and that the call for manded by Henry George and his fol- following the accident was indescribable, meetings of the groups are circulated many being injured, some fatally.

THE strikers at the Chicago packing ouses were resuming work on the 17th, but expressed great dissatisfaction with the terms offered them and fears are entertained of more trouble.

THE suit brought by the Government against General Adam Badeau to recover \$10,500 alleged to have been received by him for notarial fees while acting as United States Consul General at London was dismissed by Judge Brown in the United

States Circuit Court. WHILE the snow plow on the Fonda Narrow Gauge road of the Wabash system was cently three trackmen, Mr. Farrow and his son and Joseph Davis, were struck and so badly injured that Farrow and his son died. Davis had both legs broken and was otherwise severely hurt.

The grand jury has returned its report in the Haddock murder case, bringing in indictments against John Arensdorff for murder and conspiracy, and Albert "Bismarck," Henry Sherman, Paul Leader, F. Munchrafth, jr., Sylvester Granda, George Trieber, Henry Peters, L. Plath and H. L. Leavitt for conspiracy. THREE masked men effected an entrance

of Oakland township, Butler, Pa., and after a fight lasting an hour, in which Mc-Keever's sisters, Margaret and Jane, were terribly injured, succeeded in stealing a bucket containing nearly \$10,000. THE vitriol works of the John L. Thomp son Chemical Company, near West Troy,

into the residence of Matthew McKeever,

N. Y., were demolished by a cyclone recently. Six men were badly burned by vitriol, but none fatally. The loss is \$40,-Ir was reported lately that the Union Pa

cific had leased the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company. ABOUT 125 quarantined distillery cattle that had been declared free from pleuroneumonia were appraised recently at Chicago under the direction of the State Board of Live Stock Commissioners. The owner was allowed an average price of \$22,90 per head. This was the first appraisement of quarantined cattle, and the result was a disappointment to the owners, as they have been expected to net at least \$35 or \$40 per head.

JOHN SPRY, colored, the murderer of A. D. Coleman, was hanged in the jail yard at Natchez, Miss., recently.

ADVICES have been received at London to the effect that a ship crowded with laborers returning from Queensland foundered in the Pacific ocean and that 140 lives

CAPTAIN NABOROFF, who led the revolt at Bourgas, and three sergeants who were implicated in the rioting, have been condemned to death. Several former officials in Roumelia, who took part in the revolt, were sentenced to imprisonment for life. It was stated by a member of the Switchmen's Union recently that it had been decided to make no further demand on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company for an increase in wages. The failure of the recent labor demonstrations in Chicago has, to a large extent, influenced the Milwaukee switchmen against a

CHARLES A. BROWN, of Syracuse, N. Y., and P. L. Burgett, of Newark, N. J., were of Berne, Switzerland, was recently de- killed lately by the explosion of a filter in a pan in the Experimental salt works at Syracuse, George Denton was badly scalded and otherwise injured. The build-

MRS. REEKIE and her three children were poisoned at the South Toll Cupar-Fife, a town of Scotland, capital of the County of self notorious at White River, on the Can- Fife, by the escape of gas. The family adian Pacific road. He is represented to were preparing to join the husband in

Williams, a country store keeper, in the of 79,000 bushels of wheat, outward bound affections of his wife, and when the from New York to Aberdeen, came into wronged busband detected him O'Brien | collision off the Battery recently with the shot Williams, then murdered Mrs. Wil- steamer Britannia, bound in from Mediterself, who lived only long enough to tell all in, extinguishing the fires. She was asthe facts. The murderer fled but was ar- sisted by tugs to Hoboken. The Britannia came to anchor with her bow badly dam-Delegares representing fraternal soci- aged above the water line.

ONE result of the stock yards strike has Washington on the 16th, and organized been the securing of a license by the the National Congress of Fraternal Bene- Knights of Labor of Chicago for a corporation to be known as the Chicago Co-operative Packing and Provision Company. It the navy for the fiscal year are \$10,000,000 was claimed that \$35,000 had been subed need of improvement, the practical less than last year, only \$5,000,000 being scribed without any canvass, and that a plant of \$50,000 would be ready to begin

Base Ball circles were recently startled by the information that the Detroit Club notes stolen from their express car on fhe | draw from the National League. The reamanagers had destroyed the club's prospects by passing a rule which would prove financially disastrous to the Detroits.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

AT Rochester, N. Y., the telephone subscribers have begun a strike against the Bell company and refuse to use their instruments on account of certain restrictions placed on them by the company. Seven hundred instruments are idle.

ARCHBISHOP CORRIGAN recently had a pastoral letter read in all the Catholic Churches of his diocese of New York in favor of individual ownership of land and against Henry George's theory. THE socialists of New York have de-

nounced Henry George because he has repudiated the doctrine of socialism. A DISPATCH from Louisville, Ky., says that the followers of Eversole and French,

the mountain merchant princes, as they been frustrated to poison P. D. Armour | are called, had a battle recently, when a man named Simmonds was killed. They then held a truce and agreed to leave their differences to an arbitration committee, whose decision was to be final. At Albuquerque, N. M., Marshal McGuire

and Officer Henry recently attempted to arrest two horse thieves. Charles Ross and Kid Johnson, when the former pulled a revolver and shot Henry through the heart

It was feared a short time ago that ex-Governor C. K. Davis, of Minnesota, prom-

THIEVES entered the residence of Mrs. Miller, a widow, at Ligonier, Pa., recently and two seamen were drowned. Another and robbed her of \$4,000 in gold and cur-A DISPATCH from Havana says that a

short time ago the police surprised the no-

THE inter-collegiate championship foot ball game, at Cambridge, Mass., on No-

vember 20, between Yale and Harvard,

bill providing that all hotels or restaurants | IT was rumored that at New York recently a meeting was held at which Michael Davitt was denounced because of his opposition to the extreme measures proposed by the O'Donovan Rossa Irish faction, and HON. CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, Sr., died they burned extensive cane fields, dwelling on November 21 at Boston. He had suf-On account of the prevalence of diphtheria at Ishpeming, Mich., all public meetings have been prohibited in that city. free mail delivery system, her post-office The schools are closed and no services held

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

A School Land Decision, The Supreme Court has made an important decision which is of interest to settlers on school lands. The case decided was that of the State vs. Budgett. Budgett settled on school land a few days prior to the passage of the act of the last session of the Legislature amending the school laws, and made application to enter his land under the old law, which was in force when be made his settlement. The lower court decided in his favor and the case was pushing through a drift near Panora re- taken to the Supreme Court. The latter tribunal holds that settlement and improvement upon school lands under the provisions of section 4, article 14, c. 123, session laws 1876, with a view to purchase the same for the appraised value thereof, exclusive of the value of the improvements do not confer a vested right in the land so settled upon. After a review of the case the court summed up as follows: "The only way of making the lands granted by the Congress of the United States to the State for school purposes available, is by and regulations are necessary. The pecple who are the beneficiaries, acting through their Legislature adopted certain terms for the purchase of these school lands in the act of 1876, but these terms have been changed by the act of 1886. Budgett paid no money, nor tendered any money for the lands he now claims, prior to the passage of the act of 1886, and he filed no petition to purchase the land until the act was in full force. He has never received any receipt or certificate of purchase, and his claim rests solely upon his settlement and improvements on the land, consisting of a sod house and

for further proceedings."

Miscellaneous. J. N. BAKER, a farmer who lives in the northern part of Missouri, was in Topeka the other day for the purpose of organizing a search for the supposed murderers of his son, William Baker, who was found dead one morning in August about six miles from Atchison, on the Topeka road, and whose body had been so mangled by the cars that it could scarcely be recognized. The remains were buried, and about a month and a half elapsed before the news reached the ears of the parents. The father had been to one of the western counties, where his son had a homestead. There he learned that his son had started home, having on his person some \$300 and carrying a valise and a bundle of clothes. None of these things were ever heard of and the

father is confident that his son was murdered and his body placed upon the track. he was married to Ellen Lewis Herndon, of had only gone a few miles when the that was actually done, have The following charters were filed with the | Captain Herndon, who so bravely went | water about a mile south and about ten Secretary of State on the 11th: The New- down with his ship, the Central America, miles from this city. Three men were ton, Augusta & Fort Smith Railway Com- in 1857. Mr. Arthur distinguished himself pany, which company proposes to build a as a young lawyer as the chamroad from Newton southeasterly to the pion of the legal rights of colored city last night. One is recognized as being south line of the State. Capital, \$3,000,000; the Omaha, Lincoln. Hartland & El Paso Railway Company, which proposes to build a road from Omaha via Lincoln, Neb., through Kansas and Texas to Mexico. Capital, \$1,000,000; the New Orleans, Kansas & Western, and the Chicago, Omaha claims against the Government. He was & Southwestern Railway Company, which much interested in local politics and acproposes to build from Abilene to the quired much skill as an organizer. In 1871 south line of the State. Capital, \$6,000,000, he was appointed by President Grant Col-

THE election returns from all but seven counties had been received by the Secretary of State on the 14th, and the footings were as follows: For Governor-Martin, Federal officers taking an active part 142,128; Moonlight, 109,808; Branscombe, 8,061. For Lieutenant Governor-Riddle, of the New York Republican State Central 146.580; Islet, 103,750; Houston, 8,041. For | Committee. He then resumed the practice Auditor-McCarthy, 148,470; Kelley, So. of his profession. In 1880 he was nom-464; Langston, 8,218. For Secretary of | inated by the Chicago Convention for Vice State-Allen, 145,084; Pettilton, 101,298; President on the ticket headed by General

JEFF SMITH, delivery man for a North Topeka grocery firm, recently skipped out The death of President Garfield with a woman and \$100 that he had collected for the firm.

Late postoffice changes in Kansas: Discontinued-Dora, Labette County; Lund, formally sworn in at Washington on Sep-Clay County; Glendale, Bourbon County; tember 22, 1881. He filled the office of Pleasant Run, Pottawatomie County; President of the United States until suc- succeeded in perfecting his process to of the Pinkerton Detective Agency and the try giving a description of the bonds and had announced its determination to with- James Crossing, Jackson County; Stan- ceeded by Mr. Cleveland, March 4, 1885. wood, Leavenworth County.

> EDGAR JAMES, a boy sixteen years old, was lately arrested at North Topeka for burglarizing a dry goods store. THE Salvation Army lately invaded

North Topeka, and runaway horses and broken limbs were in order. Kansas has more ladies holding the office of county superintendent than any other

CHARLES H. ROBERTS, the attorney of Mantaur, Ia., died at the Sisters' Hospital, in Leavenworth, the other morning, from injuries received from falling from the Missouri & Kansas bridge several nights

Morton County has been organized, and Richland named as the county seat. Many cattle are said to be dying in Wil-

son County. Their death is attributed to In a late quarrel between Tom Austin and John Northington, both colored, at Topeka, the latter filled Austin with the contents of a shotgun, inflicting serious if not fatal wounds.

A MEETING of the stockholders of the the groans of the injured, who were wedged State Fair Association was held recently | in between the berths and rocks, unable to at Topeka and a committee of five was ap- move. The moment the crash was heard pointed to make suggestions and reports | the engineer stopped the train, but as soon as to the next State fair. THERE are in Sherman County seven

towns within a radius of seven miles, all fighting for the county seat. W. D. SPEILLMAN, a line repairer in the employ of the Santa Fe, met with a pecu-

liar accident near Topeka the other day. inently mentioned for United States Sena- He was carrying a steel bar on his shoulder tor from that State, would go totally blind when it fell, passing entirely through his probably as many more received painful foot, pinning it to the ground. SHAWNEE has 15,000 school children.

> OTT.) RUSSELL, ten years of age, was accidentally shot and killed by his elder brother, Daniel, while out hunting near Fredoright cheek and lodged in the upper portion

THE mystery surrounding the disappearance of Charles Byles, late agent of the ever, in German, why he did not give Missouri Pacific railroad at Leavenworth, his place to the young lady. He anis still unsolved. Mrs. Byles received a swered in the same language: "Bemailed at Leavenworth, saying that he after a little reflection, he rose and surwould never return unless he were brought | rendered his seat. The lady took it, back dead. Further than this nothing has and thanked him-in German!-N. Y been heard from him.

EMPORIA is now an applicant for the

THE total school population of Kansas is 487,134 in 1896 as against 451,044 in 1885.4 LATE post-offices changes in Kansas: Established, Brotherton, Lane County, James M. Walsh, postmaster; Burntwood, Rawlins County, Charles T. Williams, postmaster. Discontinued, Bly, Clark County; Carmel, Cloud County; Hector, Greeley County; Kiowa, Barber County; Rose, Woodson County; Tonny, Saline County.

the point at which the law provides that a change to the free delivery system may be THE Santa Fe has purchased twenty acres of land in Pawnee County on which to erect a roundhouse and switches.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR DEAD.

The Ex-President Dies Unexpectedly in New York-His Last Bours-Brief Biograph

inal Sketch. NEW YORK, Nov. 18 .- Ex-President Arthur died at five o'clock this morning. He began to sink rapidly shortly after midnight, and by three o'clock it was known that death was approaching. He passed away without apparent pain.

New York, Nov. 18 .- The news of the death of ex-President Arthur came as a great surprise notwithstanding the alarming rumors as to his health during the summer months, A suppossed improvement in his condition was noted during his stay in New London, Conn., and apparent confidence was expressed by his friends, who remained close to him, under the impression that his health had been radically improved, giving him promise of a renewed lease of life.

As soon as the news of Arthur's death was made public, many flags on the public and private buildings were placed at half mast. Mr. Arthur had lived at No. 123

terminated his life. HIS LAST HOURS. NEW YORK, Nov. 18,-Mr. Arthur's daughter, sister, former law partner, Sher-London six weeks ago, and at his return on October 1 he was no better the ex-President felt better and stronger five acres of breaking. There is nothing in these acts of his to confer a vested right or any kind of claim to the land against the State. If he wishes to purchase the land settled upon by him, for the appraised value thereof, exclusive of the value of the improvements, he must comply with all the prerequisites of the law in force at the summons, but failed to elicit any other bodies have been discovered. time he presents his petition to the probate court. The judgment of the district court | signs of consciousness or recognition from the ex-President. In alarm south, where the same chaotic wreckage will be reversed and the cause remanded they sumoned his physician, Dr. George was seen, and the entire stem of the A. Peters, who has been in attendance upon Mr. Arthur throughout his illness, and who responded promptly, and saw that he bruised and battered sailor with lacerated was suffering from a stroke of cerebral hands from which the flesh was stripped. apoplexy; a small blood vessel in the brain and his feet were badly swollen. He is C. had burst and paralysis tof the right side | W. Annis, of Port Huron, a sailor on his had ensued. From the moment the discovery was made, all hope was known to be in | vessel. valn, but no efforts were spared to bring

the patient back to consciousness. RIOGRAPHICAL. Chester Alan Arthur was born in Fairfield, Franklin County, Vt., October 5, 1830, and was the eldest son of Rev. Dr. William Arthur, a Baptist elergyman. His father was an Irishman by birth, who emigrated to the United States at the age of eighteen. The subject of this sketch was educated at class of 1848, and then commenced the 1853 he located in New York City. In 1859 | steamer S. B. Barker started out. people. His wife died in 1880 just before he entered upon the Vice-Presidency. As good service during the war in equipping and forwarding troops. In 1863 General Arthur returned to the practice of law and built np a large business in collecting lector of Customs at New York and was reappointed in 1875. 1877 he was suspended by President Hayes for violating the order prohibiting in politics, he being at the time chairman Garfield and worked very earnestly in New York for the success of the ticket.

at the hands of the Guiteau brought him to the succession as President, and he took the oath of office at

RAILROAD DISASTER.

Terrible Disaster on an Eastern Railway

and Injured. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 18.—The limited express coming east on the Pittsburgh, Cinthis city at 6:30, this morning was wrecked by a land slide at Jones' Ferry at the outskirts of the city and a number of persons injured, two of them it is thought fatally. The train was running slowly and just as it reached Jones' Ferry a mass of rocks and earth came tumbling down from a precipice forty feet above. The front part of the train escaped, but a huge mass crashed into the three sleepers which were in the rear. The interior of the front car was almost completely demolished. It was a Cincinnati sleeper and fortunately had a small number of passengers in it. Two other sleepers were also badly wrecked. The scene following the accident was indescribable. Women shrieked, children screamed, while above all was heard as the conductor saw the frightful results he cried: "Hurry on to the Union Depot station. We don't want to wait a minute, as we must care for the injured." In a few minutes the station was reached. A full force of surgeons and company attendants were on hand to carry out the injured. It was found that eight passengers were seriously hurt, while cuts and bruises. Among the injured were two men who may die.

-Two ladies got in a horse-car and two young men sat near. One man nia the other day. The charge entered the gave his seat at once to the elderly lady; the other kept his place. His friend asked him, disguising it, hownote signed with her husband's name and cause she is not pretty enough." But Independent.

-A Chicago newspaper tells of a young Hoosier who, to show his expertness on a typewriter, wrote a loveletter with it. It was a fatal mistake. The girl's brother was a printer and she could set type. She went to her brother's office and set up in cold type: "Dear Sir: I am not to be wooed by machinery. I inclose your ring. Please return my letters. Respectfully, -press and mailed it to the youth.

business during the year having reached -The latest device in umbrellas is unique. It is a patent window, to be placed in the cloth so that the traveler can see ahead and avoid disastrous colMARINE DISASTERS.

A Vessal Reported Lost in the Pacific With all on Board-Wrecked on the Lakes. LONDON, Nov. 20.-Advices have been received here to the effect that a ship crowded with laborers returning from Queensland had foundered in the Pacific Ocean and that 140 lives had been lost. No particulars are obtainable.

TWO BARGES GO DOWN. FRANKFORT, Mich., Nov. 20.-During the height of the storm Wednesday afternoon, at intervals through the blinding snow storm, a three-masted schooner could be seen about three miles southeast of here. Her poles were almost bare, and the deck seemed clear of cargo. An attempt was made to anchor her, and she held for a time, but soon broke loose and drifted before the gale. The wind gradually increased in violence, and the seas were growing larger every moment, when darkness settled over the face of the lake. Help was asked from the life-saving station at Manistee, but it was impossible for a tug to live in such a gale. After Lexington avenue for twenty years or more. great trouble the life-saving station six their sale. To accomplish this certain rules | A stroke of cerebral apoplexy, sudden, but miles north of here was reached and the not unexpected by attending physicians, apparatus hauled down the coast by a few volunteers over hills, ravines, tree trunks and heavy snow drifts and pelted by the driving snow and hail. They arrived at the scene at Spring creek at four o'clock this man W. Knevals, and closest friend, Surro- morning after a twenty mile struggle, gate Rollins, were at his bedside. All re- but by this time the vessel was ports to the contrary, Mr. Arthur's health | totally broken up and with the cargo piled was not improved during his stay in New up on the beach, everything being completely destroyed. Broken masts, shrouds, lumber and debris were mixed and piled up than when he left the city. But together. Captain Mathews thinks she with the beginning of the present week must have had her anchor down and a marked change for better set in. Tuesday pounded to pieces on the outer bar. One body was found, that of a man about thirty than at any time since he was taken sick, and | years old, with black hair, sandy mustache commented hopefully upon the fact. It was and clothing to resist the weather. In after midnight when the attendant left him the pocket of his coat was a letter alone in the bed room and nothing was heard | bearing the address "William Laurey, 131 of him during the early morning hours. He Madison street, Chicago," His face was not disturbed until the attendant en- was badly jammed and his hands tered the room at eight o'clock yesterday cut. The vessel's yawl with the pame morning. He found Mr. Arthur lying on Menekaunee was near by uninjured. It is his side and breathing heavily. He could thought she had a crew of four men, and not rouse him. The family answered the that she broke as soon as she struck. No

Another wreck was discovered two miles schooner Marinette, of Racine, was discovered. At a neighboring farm house was a first trip, and is the only survivor of this

LOST WITH ALL ON BOARD. WASHBURNE, Wis., Nov. 20 .- News has fust been received here that the steamer Lucerne, which left here last Monday for a cargo of ore for Cleveland, has gone to the bottom of Lake Superior with all on board. She is not known to have been seen after she left here until Wednesday when the captain of the steam barge Fred Kelly saw her turn about and head for the port for Union College and graduated high in the shelter. Not arriving here this morning the captain of the steam barge Raleigh who study of law. During his college course he brought the Lucerne, telegraphed to Baypartly supported himself by teaching. In field for a tug to go in search of her. The THE railroad charter boom continues. Fredericksburg, Va., daughter of the heroic spars of a vessel were seen just above the found lashed in the rigging. They were immediately cut loose and brought to this the second mate. The vessel is lying in forty feet of water. The Lucerne left this Quartermaster General of New York he did | port with a crew of nine men, all of whom are supposed to be lost. The tug Brown, of Bayfield, has been searching about the wreck all day for more bodies, but has not with from one to six inches of ice.

RESCUED. MARQUETTE, Mich., Nov. 20 .- The crew of the barge Robert Wallace and schooner David Wallace, were rescued yesterday the butler questioned the boy who morning by the Portage Lake canal life brought the package and learned it saving crew. Every man on the boat was had been given him on the street saved. The Robert Wallace is a total by wreck. The David Wallace is still sound. | did not come from the firm whose name it

A Discovery Made by An Ohio Chemist Heating.

such an extent that wonderful re- authors of the diabolical plot may yet be sults were accomplished. The prin- discovered. ciple of the machine is a system of siphons, and air is forced alternately through water and through oil, resulting in made a trip to Boston and had a con- the life of me, how the thing got out. You ference with capitalists regarding the sale may say, however, that the story is quite of the right of the invention. After this true. representative chemists from Harvard college were sent to Columbiana to investigate. They reported favorably upon it, tion of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Later he sold the right to these four States with the exception of Columbiana, to a Pittsburgh syndicate for \$500,000. The men from Boston who examined the machine said that when perfected no doubt 1,000,000 feet of gas could be produced from one barrel of oil. As an illuminant it is said to be far superior to the gas manufactured under the ordinary process and as a fuel is vastly superior to natural gas. Its heat is intense. A bar of lead was thrust into the base and immediately fell apart. From a pipe which issues from Johnson's laboratory issues a blaze eight feet, that pleuro-pneumonia was read by Dr. Gadsmakes an intensely brilliant light. When knowledge of the invention gets abroad it is expected to create a wonderful sensation, as it is expected to completely revointionize the matter of fuel and lighting. The part es who have gained control of the invention have been endeavoring to keep it quiet until they were ready to begin opera-

Speaker Cartisle. WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 .- There is but one opinion entertained by the Democratic members of Congress now in the city who aged eighty-three, residing in Chester townare friends of Speaker Carlisle-that his ship, this county, has gone to Berne, Switzre-election to the Speakership is a matter of erland to secure a fortune of about \$300,fact, and none will admit that there is any | 000. Mr. Grube's grandfather came to this obstacle raised by the proposed contest of country in 1782 and settled in Lancaster, the Speaker's opponent in the late Congres- Pa. Two bachelor brothers, the last sional race. The Speaker's Kentucky ad- of the family in Switzerland, died mirers insist that the light vote cast for in 1880, leaving the fortune which has him for Congress at the recent election did since then been awaiting a claimant, all not indicate any waning of his popularity trace of the American brothers having at home. Some of them are already de- been lost. Mr. Grube read last Wednesday claring that if Mr. Carlisle is not re-elected in a Swiss newspaper an advertisement Speaker he shall be sent to the United asking for information concerning the heirs

States Senate to succeed Beck. Leaves Bulgaria.

Sofia, Nov. 20,-General Kaulbars and the Russian consuls left Bulgaria to-day. In his note to the Bulgarian Government announcing his departure the General says Bulgaria from her difficulties and has continued its insolent attacks upon Russian subjects. His further presence, he adds, is useless, Bulgaria having completely lost confidence in Russia. General Kaulbars has also demanded the liberation of the Montenegrins imprisoned at Bourgas, threatening that if they are not released he will resort to extreme measures.

BENTON RE-INSTATED.

The President Re-instates District Attorney Benton and at the Same Time Gives His Views on "Offensive Partisanship."

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 .- The correspondence relating to the suspension of M. E. Benton, United States District Attorney for the Western district of Missouri, has been made public. Mr. Benton, in a letter to-the Attorney General, stated that previous to his suspension he had cauceled all engagements to make political speeches that interfered with his official duties, which letter was handed to the President, who wrote to Mr. Benton as follows:

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

To Hon. M. E. Benton:
EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 16.—Dear Sir: Your letter of the 10th in-stant addressed to the Attorney General has been submitted to me and carefully con-sidered. Its frank tone and all I know of your character convince me that the truth is therein related touching the matters which led to your suspension from office. When I issued the warning to officeholders to which you refer as "order" I expected to be much harassed by all manner of loose and frivolous tales, originating in malicious feeling or dis-appointment and a deliberate design on the part of political enemies to annoy and em-barrass concerning indulgence by appointees under the present administration in the per-nicious activity in politics against which my warning was directed. I hoped, however, that by a careful consideration of the spirit as well as the language in such warning those in good faith intending to respect it might not be in doubt as to the meaning and would themselves apply it to conditions and circumstances which it was impossible for me to specify. did not intend to condemn the making of a political speech by a Federal official to his ighbors and friends for any time and place where it was merely incidental, if the speech tself was decent and fair. But I do not think that such an official can enter as a usiness into a polit cal campaign and consenting to a long list of engagements to ad-dress political meetings widely separated and of daily recurrence till such an engagement without neglecting his duty if he holds an office worth baying, nor without taking with him in the canvass his official power and in-Therefore this course is con-NO EXACT LIMITS SET.

The number of speeches that can be properly made can not be specified, nor the time when, the place where, or the circumstances in which they are proper, nor can their character be prescribed. But a correct line of conduct can be determined on without difficulty. I believe, in the light of a desire to follow in the spirit of adi given by divorcing the conduct of a citizen from the use of official influence in political campaigns, illustrating at all times the truth that official duty is paramount to partisan service, maintaining the dignity of officeholding, avoiding any pretense of control over the political action of others by reason of official place and teaching the lesson to the people that public positions are not bestowed or held under a pledge of active partisan service.

A printed list taken from a newspaper and submitted to me contained engagements to speak, made by your consent, daily for quite a long period, and not unfrequently twice a day, in different parts of the State of Missouri, and I was led to believe that many of the days specified a court, at which you had duties to perform, was in session. This seemed to me to present a case of flagrant, defiant neglect of official duty and propriety, and, even with the explanation given, your course apears to be thoughtless and at least subject to criticism.

RE-INSTATED IN HIS OFFICE. But the statement in your letter showing that you did not permit campaign engagements to interfere with the performance of official duty, your satisfactory discharge of such duty during your term, and a belief in the truth of your allegation that you honest ly supposed that you might properly do al rescind the order suspending you from office and to re-instate you to the same. Yours very truly. GROVER CLEVELAND.

A DASTARDLY DEED.

An Alleged Attempt to Poison the Family

of P. D. Armour. CHICAGO, Nov. 17 .- A story about the attempt to poison P. D. Armour is to the effect that on Monday a package of buck wheat flour marked "sample" and having yet found any. The bodies were covered the name of a neighboring grocery firm on it, was left at Mr Armour's residence. It being against Mr. Armour's orders to accept such contribution, and suspecting something wrong two strange men, and that it bears. Subsequent investigation showed BLOW AT COAL MONOPOLIES. that the sample contained enough strychnine to poison a dozen families. The matter is being worked up by Pinkerton. Mr.

Which Will Revolutionize Lighting and Armour is uncommunicative on the subject. CLEVELAND, Nov. 20.-J. J. Johnson, of CHICAGO, Nov. 18.-Mr. Phil D. Armour Columbiana, this State, claims to have in- confirms the statement that an attempt had vented a gas-making process that promises and his family by two men, who are supbeen made on Monday last to poison him to outdo natural gas. W. B. Sutler, a posed to be in sympathy with the stock prominent manufacturer of that place, gives yards strikers. He was rejuctant to discuss his house in New York City and was more the following particulars regarding the in- the matter when seen, and expressed the vention: Johnson has been working on belief that it was the work of some crank the invention for some time, and has or anarchist. The matter is in the hands

WHAT ARMOUR SAYS. The statement that an attempt was made a few days ago to poison Phil Armour by Caused by a Land Slide—A Number Killed getting 450,000 cubic feet of gas from a bar- two men who are alleged sympathizers with rel of oil. After this quantity of gas had the stock yard strikers, is confirmed by that been made the residue of oil as a lubricator gentleman. When a reported called on him is said to be worth as much as the barrel of and asked whether the statements concernoil originally. It is cheaper than daylight, for | ing the alleged attempted crime were true cinnati & St. Louis railroad, which is due in after getting the light and fuel the original he replied: "I don't care to talk about it, at value of the material is left. Johnson least, not just at present. I don't know for

Cattlemen. CHICAGO, Nov. 17 .- Two or three hunand Johnson was given \$1,000,000 for the dred substantial looking men assembled in right in the United States with the excep- the call board room of the board of trade yesterday. They were delegates to the Cattle Growers' Association and the gathering was the formal opening of the convention of the association. Preliminary to organization a consolidation of the St. Louis National Association and the Chicago National Association was affected under the one head of the National Cattle Growers' Association. To the roll delegates representing thirty States and Territories, Canada and Mexico responded, while delegates from nearly all of the missing States dropped in later. Committees on organization and on rules were appointed, and then a paper on

> den, of New York. The committee on permanent organization reported the following gentlemen as officers for the ensuing year: Dr. W. Smith, of Illinois, president; R. Mitchell, of Indiana, R. Loring, of Massachusetts, A. W. Bowman, of Virginia, J. M. Cary, of Washington Territory, and Mr. Jennings, of Texas, vice presidents, and A. Sanders and R. R. Harrison, secretaries.

> An Aged Heir. WABASH, Ind., Nov. 17 .- Samuel Grube, of his grandfather. When he secures his

fortune he will return to America. A Mysterious Case.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 17 .- Benjamin Wheller, the old man who was arrested on suspicion of having had something to do with the murder of his wife, last Friday that the Government has rejected Russia's night, was released to-day on \$25,000 ball. counsels, which were intended to extricate Patrick Graves, who is charged with the crime by Wheller, is still held in default of \$10,000 bail. The preliminary hearing of the prisoners was begun in the police court to-day, but was not concluded. The coroner has not yet rendered his verdict. The police are still at work on the case, but have made no further arrests. One theory advanced by them is that Wheller and his wife quarreled; that she struck him and he choked her to death.